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Attorney Docket No. SIC-99-036

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

YOSHIAKI NANKO, et al

Application No.: 09/474,916

Filed: December 29, 1999

For: DRIVE MECHANISM FOR A
BICYCLE TRANSMISSION ASSIST
MECHANISM

) Examiner: M. Charles

) Art Unit: 3682

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) AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2003. A request for an extension of time to respond accompanies this response. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [X] Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond.
[] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
[] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
[] Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 with copies of cited references.
[X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	46	MINUS	46	0
INDEP.	10	MINUS	10	0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x9=	\$	x18=	\$
x43=	\$	x86=	\$
+145=	\$	+290=	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$	TOTAL	\$

- [] No fee is due.

- [] Claims fee \$ _____
[X] Extension of time fee \$ 110
[] IDS fee \$ _____

- [X] Form PTO-2038 for \$ 110 is enclosed.

Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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